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## PATENT APPLICATION

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79804

Hiroshi UEDA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/774,498

Group Art Unit: 1626

Confirmation No.: 8709

Examiner: Kamal A. SAEED

Filed: February 10, 2004

For: PROCESS FOR PREPARING A BIARYL COMPOUND

#### **RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirements, dated August 10, 2006.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-8, 15, and 16 for examination. This election is made with traverse. There would be no serious burden to conduct a search of the prior art if Restriction is not required. *See*, MPEP § 803.

Where Applicants elect Group I, the Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to more than one distinct species. The Examiner has required the Applicants to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted. Applicants have been advised that a response to this requirement shall include an identification of the species that is elected.

In response to the Examiner's election of species requirement, Applicants elect (L)-N-(t-butyloxycarbonyl)-O-(p-toluenesulfonyl)tyrosine methyl ester for examination.

Applicants submit that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.